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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, DCID 1/16 REVIEWING COMMITTEE  
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SUBJECT: Proposed Issue Papers

1. The following are comments on the subject papers received thus far (Outline, Scope, Telecommunications, User, Modes, Magnetic Remanence). These comments are on the papers only and do not represent an NSA view on incorporation of these items in the DCID.

2. a. Outline: Generally, it would appear that the revised DCID may be too detailed to represent a viable document. DCID 1/16 needs to be a relatively short statement of DCI national level policy. Most of section IV would appear to be more appropriate to a cover memorandum than part of the DCID. The proposed title should be limited to Automated Information Systems.

b. Scope: No comments.

c. Telecommunications: Non-concur. The issue paper fails to adequately distinguish between telecommunications security (a separate category that should only be referenced in this document), non-added value telecommunications services and added value services. The primary concerns are ADPE systems that serve as switches or message distribution systems. The paper should be revised to distinguish between all of the above and the scope of the recommendation narrowed to address only the switches and message distribution systems.

d. Definition of User: This paper needs additional work. It is not clear what problem is addressed nor what fix is intended. There is not enough information included upon which to base a decision. Maybe alternative proposed definitions of the term "user" would help along with explanations of the need for, or limits of, same.

e. Modes: Comments to follow.

f. Magnetic Remanence: Not clear that uniform policy is required or that anything more than a requirement for

sanitization and declassification of equipments is needed at this level. It may not be possible to achieve a consensus on the details of acceptable procedures for categories of equipments and information and the former are too volatile to treat in detail.



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